

REMARKS

The present application is the United States National Phase of International Patent Application PCT/EP2004/009976.

The PCT claims were amended before the International Bureau on February 17, 2005. The amended PCT claims have been further revised herein to eliminate the multiple dependent format thereof.

New Claim 13 corresponds to amended PCT Claim 4/2; new Claim 14 corresponds to amended Claim 5/2; new Claim 15 corresponds to amended PCT Claim 6/2; new Claim 16 corresponds to amended PCT Claim 8/2; new Claim 17 corresponds to amended PCT Claim 9/7; new Claim 18 corresponds to amended PCT Claim 9/8; new Claim 19 corresponds to amended PCT Claim 11/2; and new Claim 20 corresponds to amended PCT Claim 12/2.

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